Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Grandview Reformed Church was founded in May 1885 in Grandview, South Dakota, meeting in a schoolhouse until the church building was acquired in 1887; and,

Whereas, The second church building was erected in 1892 after the first was destroyed by a cyclone and later became a "country church" when the businesses and residents of Grandview relocated to Armour, South Dakota, with the arrival of the railroad; and,

Whereas, Grandview Reformed Church survived a fire in 1930, and the difficult years of the Great Depression, conducting services entirely in Dutch until 1940; and,

Whereas, In 1950, the congregation relocated the country church to a lot on the east side of Armour, and eventually built a new church, which was finished in 2007; and,

Whereas, Grandview Reformed Church is the home to 60 families, and is a center for faith and fellowship in the Armour area; and,

Whereas, The 125th Anniversary celebration of Grandview Reformed Church will take place on Sunday, June 28, 2010, as current and former members will gather to commemorate a congregation who have faithfully served and carried out the wishes of the original founders of the church:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 28, 2010, as

GRANDVIEW REFORMED CHURCH DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State